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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director

SUBJECT: Briefing of Vice Admiral Anderson and Rear Admiral Layton

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1. [] you will remember that Gen. Cabell instructed me not to see Adms. Stump, Anderson or Layton in Honolulu. His reasoning was that they might bring up the subject of pre-flight notification and desire control of missions. On arriving in Honolulu I found that Gen. Balmer had made a firm appointment for me to give a full briefing to Adms. Anderson and Layton on 21 May. In Gen. Balmer's opinion it would have placed him in an embarrassing position to have had to cancel the appointment. On Gen. Balmer's recommendation I met with Adms. Anderson and Layton and gave them a full briefing on AQUATONE. No question regarding notification was brought up; Adm. Anderson showed great interest in the operation and assured us of any support that might be required. I believe, and Gen. Balmer confirmed, that considerable benefit was derived from this briefing both for the Project and for the Agency.

2. Col. Gibbons, Gen. Balmer's deputy, was also present and briefed on AQUATONE.

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